

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

3 LARON ONEAL,

4 Plaintiff

5 v.

6 ALBERTSON'S, LLC, et al.,

7 Defendants

Case No.: 2:23-cv-00643-APG-MDC

**Order Accepting Report and
Recommendation Regarding Contempt**

[ECF Nos. 88, 96]

8 Nonparty witness Shandana Mergerson failed to comply with a deposition subpoena and
9 disobeyed Magistrate Judge Couvillier's resulting Order to Show Cause. ECF No. 73. Plaintiff
10 Laron Oneal requested a bench warrant as a contempt sanction against her. ECF No. 88 at 13.
11 Magistrate Judge Couvillier recommends that Mergerson be held in contempt and that a bench
12 warrant be issued if she does not appear for her upcoming rescheduled deposition. ECF No. 96. I
13 have reviewed Judge Couvillier's recommendation. As Judge Couvillier sets forth the proper
14 legal analyses and factual bases for the decision, I agree with his findings and conclusions and
15 adopt them as my own.

16 I THEREFORE ORDER that Magistrate Judge Couvillier's Report and Recommendation
17 (ECF No. 96) is accepted and approved in its entirety. I will give Mergerson one final chance: a
18 warrant for her arrest will be issued if she does not appear at her rescheduled deposition,
19 presently set for September 11, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. (unless the deposition is moved to another date
20 and time).

21 DATED this 6th day of August, 2025.

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ANDREW P. GORDON
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE